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I Do not agree with the proposed settlement of the Microsoft v. US DOJ. It does not punish Microsoft for its past sins. Nor does it give adequate assurance that a proven monopolist will modify its behaviour to foster a more competitive environment. A de facto standard's API and other interface and file format interchange information must be freely and widely available without auditing or editing by any Microsoft dominated or influenced organization. If in any way restricted it becomes a club to force the world to comply to Microsoft's view of the proper order of things. And it has been proven in a court of law and upheld on appeal that Microsoft's actions demonstrate that its view of the market place is through a monopolistic lens.